

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A method for inhibiting angiogenesis in a tissue comprising administering to said tissue a composition comprising an angiogenesis-inhibiting amount of an $\alpha_v\beta_3$ antagonist.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein said $\alpha_v\beta_3$ antagonist inhibits binding of fibrinogen to $\alpha_v\beta_3$ but does not substantially inhibit binding of fibrinogen to $\alpha_{IIb}\beta_3$.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein said $\alpha_v\beta_3$ antagonist is a monoclonal antibody immunospecific for $\alpha_v\beta_3$.

4. The method of claim 3 wherein said monoclonal antibody has the immunoreaction characteristics of the monoclonal antibody LM609.

5. The method of claim 1 wherein said $\alpha_v\beta_3$ antagonist is an RGD-containing polypeptide.

6. The method of claim 5 wherein said polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of c-(GrGDFV), c-(RGDfV), c-(RADfV), c-(RGDFv) and YTAECKPQVTRGDVF and a salt thereof.

7. The method of claim 6 wherein said salt is hydrochloride or trifluoroacetate.

8. The method of claim 1 wherein said tissue is inflamed and said angiogenesis is inflamed tissue angiogenesis.

9. The method of claim 8 wherein said tissue is arthritic.

10. The method of claim 9 wherein said arthritic tissue is present in a mammal with rheumatoid arthritis.

11. The method of claim 1 wherein said tissue is the retinal tissue of a patient with diabetic retinopathy and said angiogenesis is retinal

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angiogenesis.

12. The method of claim 1 wherein said tissue is a hemangioma.

13. The method of claim 1 wherein said tissue is a solid tumor or a solid tumor metastasis and said angiogenesis is tumor angiogenesis.

14. The method of claim 1 wherein said angiogenesis-inhibiting amount is from about 2 uM to 5 mM.

15. The method of claim 1 wherein said administering comprises intravenous, transdermal, intrasynovial, intramuscular, or oral administration.

16. The method of claim 1 wherein said administering is conducted in conjunction with chemotherapy.

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